THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT

Notice is hereby given that the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), acting under its authority pursuant to M.G.L. c.21, §§37B, 37C, 37D; M.G.L. c.21A, §10H; and M.G.L. c.90B, §5D, and in conformance with M.G.L. chapter 30A, will hold public hearings regarding the adoption of a new regulation at 302 CMR 18.00 (Aquatic Nuisance Control Program). This regulation will establish an aquatic nuisance control program which aims to suppress, eradicate, control and otherwise mitigate or reduce the risk of the spread of aquatic nuisances throughout the Commonwealth.

Four (4) public hearings will be conducted to receive public comment, both oral and written, on the proposed adoption of a new regulation at 302 CMR 18.00.

DCR West Boylston Office

180 Beaman Street

Date: September 29, 2014

Time: 10:00 AM – Noon

West Boylston, MA

DCR West Region Office

740 South Street

Date: September 30, 2014

Time: 10:00 AM – Noon

Pittsfield, MA

Waquoit Bay Reserve Headquarters at the Boathouse Date: October 20, 2014

Time: 10:00 AM - Noon

131 Waquoit Highway, (Rte. 28) Waquoit (E. Falmouth), MA

Charles River Watershed Association
190 Park Road (at Leo J. Martin Golf
Time: 10:00 AM – Noon

Course) Weston, MA

Verbal and written testimony may be presented at the public hearings; however, parties are requested to provide written copies of their testimony. Written comments will be accepted beginning September 19, 2014 until 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. on Monday, November 3, 2014. Please submit written comments to Laura Dietz via mail to Department of Conservation and Recreation, 251 Causeway Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02114, or electronically to regs.comments@state.ma.us.

You may request a copy of the proposed new regulation from Barbara Black by calling 617-626-1401, or by submitting an electronic request to barbara.black@state.ma.us. Also, the proposed new regulation will be available on DCR's website.

By order of the Department of Conservation and Recreation. John P. Murray, Commissioner

September, 2014